

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Forest Department- Diversion of 5 ha. of forest and in Compat.No.209 of Ragimenupenta R.F of Chittoor West Division for extraction of black granite in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks, Chittoor - Permission accorded- Orders issued.

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ENVIRONMENT FOREST SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 149

Dated:11-11-2008

Read the following:-

1. From Prl.CCF. Hyd.Lr.No. 22877/2007-F2, Dated: 28-12-2007.
2. State Government letter No. 005/For.I(1)/2008-1, Dated: 8-1-2008.
- 3 .From GOI, MoEF,Bangalore, Lr.No 4- APC 452/2008-BAN/3136, dt. 23-10-2008.

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**ORDER:**

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad in his letter 1<sup>st</sup> read above had submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 5.0ha. of forest and in Compartment No.209 of Ragimenupenta Reserve Forest of Chittoor (West) Division for extraction of black granite in favour of M/ Sri Sai Rocks, Chittoor and requested to send the same to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests for their approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The said proposal has been sent to Government of India for their approval under Forest (C ) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above. The Government of India in their letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above have accorded their approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 5 ha. of forest land for this project in Chittoor West Division in favour of M/s. Sri Sai Rocks, for a period of 10 years subject to certain conditions.

3. The Government after consideration of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad for diversion of 5.00ha. of forest land in Compartment No. 209 of Ragimenupenta Reserve Forest of Chittoor West Division for extraction of black granite in favour of M/s Sri Sai Rocks, Chittoor for a period of 10 years, subject to the following conditions:

1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The demarcation of 5 ha. of forest land shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of user agency.
3. The compensatory afforestation shall be raised over 5.00 ha. identified non-forest land in Mittachintalavati Palli (V) of Punganur (M) of Chittoor District at he cost of user agency. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of compensatory afforestation site, if any.
4. Non forest land for compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as R.F. / P.F. under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act within a period of 6 months and Nodal Officer (FCA) shall report the compliance within 6 months to GOI.
5. The State Government shall raise and maintain a safety zone and will also raise and maintain the plantation over an area, one and half times of the extent of the safety zone, of the degraded forest land, at the project cost..
6. The funds received from the user agency towards compensatory afforestation and Net Present Value under this project shall be deposited to Ad-hoc CAMPA in account number CA-1578 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-1, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003 under intimation to GOI.

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7. The additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, due as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 9-5-2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in W.P.(Civil)No.202/1995 shall be realized from the user agency and transferred to Ad-hoc CAMPA in account Number CA 1578 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003 under intimation to GOI.
  8. No waste material from mining lease area will be allowed to fall/spread in the adjoining forest area. A deep trench of about 2 mts. Width with 1.5 to 1.75 mts. depth shall be dug up all along the boundary of the applied area with excavated earth kept on the outer side of the trench and where the cutting of deep trench is not possible, a stone wall of 1.5 to 1.75 mts. Height with sufficient width be formed to stop spread of any waste materials in the forest area outside the leased area. The above work shall be undertaken by the user agency at their own cost before commencement of mining operation.
  9. The entire forest area up to the R.F. boundary line, surrounding the applied area shall be appropriately fenced and rehabilitated at the cost of user agency as per the detailed plan prepared by the Forest Department.
  10. Suitable species like Neem etc. shall be planted along both sides of the proposed road over a width of 50 mts. to create a tree belt to minimize the pollution effect at the cost of user agency.
  11. The mining shall be done as per the mining plan approved by IBM.
  12. Soil conservation measures shall be taken up at the cost of user agency.
  13. The forest area shall be used for the purpose of mining, storage of material and OB dumps only.
  14. Reclamation work concurrent to the mining shall be taken up by the user agency.
  15. The consent of A.P. Pollution Control Board (APPCB) shall be obtained under Air and Water Act before commencement of mining operation and it shall be renewed annually.
  16. No permanent buildings or labour sheds should be constructed in the leased area.
  17. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 5.00 ha. and it shall be used only for the purpose for which it is diverted. In case the land is not used for the stipulated purpose or when it is no longer needed for the said purpose, then the area will be resumed by the Forest Department.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad is directed to take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

JANAKI R. KONDAPI,  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Hyderabad.  
Copy to: M/s. Sri Sai Rocks, 19-240/21, Near Vignanadeepthi English Medium School,  
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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER